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EXAMINING GROUP 2828

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 1763**  
Takayuki TANAKA : Docket No. 2001\_1230A  
Serial No. 09/944,123 : Group Art Unit 2828  
Filed September 4, 2001 : Examiner James A. Menefee

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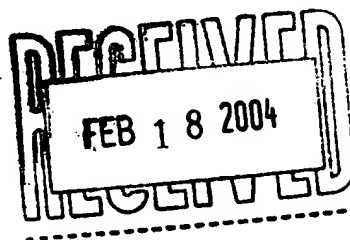
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